

Executive Department
State of Idaho

State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, there is an imminent threat to life and property as a result of flooding due to rapid snow melting that has damaged many rural county roads in western Owyhee County, Idaho; and

WHEREAS, damage to these roads constitutes a threat to residents seeking access to property and inhibits the ability of emergency responders to respond to an emergency in the remote areas of Owyhee County, including the community of Silver City, Idaho; and

WHEREAS, there is extreme peril to public safety and property which is likely to be beyond the control of the services of Owyhee County.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, by virtue of the authority vested in me by title 46, section 1008, Idaho Code do hereby find and therefore proclaim and declare;

- 1. That a state of disaster emergency described in title 46, Section 1008, Idaho Code, exists in the Owyhee County in the State of Idaho.
 - (a) That the nature of the emergency is the occurrence and imminent threat to public safety arising from damage and flooding of county roads due to heavy rain and rapid snowmelt.
 - (b) That the area threatened by the disaster is Owyhee County, Idaho.
 - (c) That the area subject to this proclamation shall include Owyhee County, Idaho.
- 2. That the state of disaster emergency herein described shall exist for a period of thirty days unless sooner terminated or unless extended by thirty-day increments.
- 3. This proclamation serves, pursuant to title 46, section 1008, Idaho Code, as authorization for the resources of state government to assist efforts to rectify the disaster emergency road closures due to flooding in Elmore County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this sixth day of January in the year of our Lord two-thousand and six and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirtieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred sixteenth

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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